

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-11, 13-26 are now pending in the application. In this preliminary amendment, claim 11 was amended to broaden its scope. Claims 13, 16, 17 were amended to depend from claim 11. New claim 26, fully supported by the specification and original claim 11, was added.

It is respectfully brought to the Examiner's attention that because of an inadvertent typographical error there is no claim 12. Applicants refrain from renumbering the claims in this preliminary amendment to avoid the possibility of any confusion, but would gladly renumber the claims in a future amendment at the request of the Examiner.

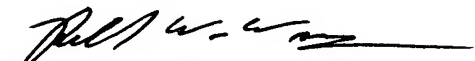
Further, it is submitted that no additional amendment fee is required because Applicants originally paid for twenty five claims. In the event that any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such additional fees to Deposit Account No. 08-0750.

### **CONCLUSION**

Entry of this preliminary amendment is respectfully requested before examination. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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